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STATEMENT OF DARYUSH MIRZAEE IN SUPPORT OF ADDING FUH-WEI TANG AS AN INVENTOR

Sir/Madam:

I declare as follows:

- (1) I am currently a named inventor of the above-identified patent (U.S. Patent No. 7,169,173, Application Serial No. 10/668,781, filed on September 22, 2003, and claiming priority to Application Serial No. 09/895,753, filed on June 29, 2001, which issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,656,216).
- (2) I agree that Fuh-Wei Tang should be added as an inventor of the above-mentioned patent, or at least I do not have any disagreement in regard to the addition of Fuh-Wei Tang as an inventor.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true. I further declare that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1002 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements and the like may jeopardize the validity of the patent.

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Respectfully submitted.

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